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" " " " " 3—3d " Wimberley's Mill.

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## OUR DAILY RECKONING.

If we sit down at set of sun,  
And count the things that we have done,  
And counting, find  
One self-denying act, one word  
That eased the heart of him who heard;  
One glance most kind,  
That fell like sunshine where it went,  
Then we may count the day well spent.  
But, if throughout the livelong day  
We've eased the heart by yea or nay—  
If through it all  
We've nothing done that we can trace,  
That brought the sunshine to a face—  
No act, most small,  
That helped some soul, and nothing cost,  
Then count that day as worse than lost.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
Dec. 10, 1877.

The *National Republican* of this morning, in an elaborate editorial, compares Mr. Hayes to Judas Iscariot. This may not be directly from the lips or pen of Senator Conkling, but it is evidently of his inspiration. The *Republican's* new manager, A. M. Clapp, is everywhere considered as a representative of the distinguished senior Senator from New York. This would indicate that recent attempts to make peace between Messrs. Hayes and Conkling were not successful and are not expected to be successful.

The early holiday recess which seems to be decided on—the 15th inst. is named—will prevent the transaction of much business by Congress. The Silver Bill comes up to-morrow (Tuesday) in the Senate, but the debate will probably last beyond the recess. Not much progress on any public business is looked for until the reassembling on the 10th of January.

It is unfortunate for those in charge of the Washington monument, that popular subscriptions for the work have almost entirely ceased. To be sure, the government a year ago voted money enough, or nearly enough, to complete the shaft, but with that appropriation came numberless plans for a modification of the original design. The Society, however, has decided to insist upon a continuance of the work as originally intended, and will oppose any effort to secure a change.

We have among us a genius, one A. Watson, who has for many years advocated a system of storm signals for the protection of farmers' crops, of property on the banks of rivers and streams, &c. He wishes to bring to the protection of these classes of property the telegraph system of the country, the regular signal service of the government, the firing of cannon as a warning of coming storms, and other appliances of the age. He is not after money, but claims that the inexpensive adoption of his ideas would have saved many millions of dollars in crops and other valuables during the late severe storms in Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania. One of the great telegraph companies offers the free use of its wires, and it is not unlikely that another year may see the plan of the enthusiastic Washingtonian on trial.

There is published this morning a letter of P. B. S. Pinchback, Louisiana, in which he withdraws from further contest for the place of Senator from that State. The withdrawal, was not, of course, necessary to the seating of Senator Eustis, who, besides all the Democratic votes, will have those of many Republicans. But the letter is of interest in another way. It shows more plainly than anything else has so far done, the irreconcilable difference that exists between two sections of the Republican party. The letter is very bitter, exposing the inconsistencies of Republican Senators who voted against him and then voted to admit Kellogg.

It is thought that if the administration, as is now said, desires to preserve peace with Mexico, it can most effectually do so by recognizing the Diaz Government, and so giving it the increased strength and stability necessary to enable it to repress lawless Mexicans and Indians on the border. Perhaps a statement of the *National Union* has that Diaz would soon be recognized as some official sanction.

Dona Platt's *Sunday Capital*, which

of late has spoken in rather enthusiastic terms of Mr. Hayes, had yesterday a vigorous assault on him, taking his message as a text. RENO.

## A MAN OF MANY NAMES.

A Suspected Swindler Arrested in East St. Louis.

[Under the above caption, the St. Louis Times of recent date, has an article showing up the antecedents and character of the man Cone, whose swindle of a lady we published in our last. Believing our readers will be interested in the recital, we copy most of the Times' article below. It was sent us with other papers bearing on the case by the lady referred to.—ED. FREE PRESS.]

About a week ago Henry McDermott, one of the East St. Louis police officers, observed a suspicious looking customer walking about the city, and reported the fact to Chief Walsh, who gave him instructions to keep his eyes open and see what the stranger's "racket" was. McDermott did so, but the man probably got alarmed and left town on last Tuesday evening. Yesterday he reappeared at the Relay Depot, where McDermott saw him. He in turn saw the officer and at once made tracks up Missouri avenue, McDermott following him. He dodged in among a lot of one-story frame shanties, and Mc. lost sight of him. Some time afterward Mc. saw him on the railroad track, going toward Venice, he having taken a circuitous route to reach the track.

McDERMOTT GAVE CHASE immediately, and, after following him for about a mile, the fellow took to the woods between the track and the river. McDermott followed his trail, although he was lost to sight, and finally found him lying on the ground among some thick, high weeds. At first he did not propose to give himself up, but when Mc. pulled out his "persuader," cocked it, and drew a bead on him, he acted just like the noon did to Davy Crockett, and came down.

On arriving at the station-house, Chief Walsh had him searched, and on his person found a number of letters and communications, all of which went to show that his name was either John G. Ward, John S. Clements, John Williams, W. K. Cone or J. H. Bosworth, but he refused to say which name rightfully belonged to him, or to give his residence.

### BEATING HOTELS.

It was also discovered that he had been stopping on this side of the river, at Barnum's Hotel, Second and Walnut, and the Star Lodging House, Sixth and Market, under the name of John Williams, at Hurst's by the name of John G. Ward, and at the Lindell by the name of John S. Clements, at all of which houses, it is reported, he failed to settle for accommodations, he had received.

On his person were also found six bonds of the Kansas City and San Juan Gold and Silver Mining Company, representing, in the aggregate, \$12,500. The bonds were numbered 161, 162, 262, 263, 264 and 265.

There were also found upon him ten Missouri Enrolled Militia warrants, numbered 8207, 8180, 8186, 8178, 8212, 7670, 7662, 8474, 8219—all for 136.39, and all of them being for members of the 17th Regiment. The names of the different men are indorsed on the back, but all in the same handwriting.

There was also found on him an order to the Star Lodging House to deliver his trunk to the St. Louis Transfer Company. This, however, the proprietor declined to honor, there being an unpaid balance due for room rent.

### THE INSANITY DODGE.

After being locked up the man with the many names assumed the role of insanity, which he carried out very well till late last evening, when Chief Walsh got to talking to him about some trifling matters, when he forgot his character and conversed as rational as any one.

The Chief sent Officer Ben Godin to

St. Louis to investigate matters, but all that could be learned was that the man had been engaged in beating hotels for some time. The refusal of the Star Lodging House proprietor to let the trunk be taken to East St. Louis, precluded the examination of its contents by Chief Walsh for further proof of the guilt of the prisoner.

At a subsequent investigation of the papers found on the arrested man, two warranty deeds were discovered for tracts of land in Missouri and Illinois. One of them was a conveyance by John Black to James T. Ward, and the other by Jas. S. Ward to B. F. Allen.

### ADDITIONAL POINTS.

While the man has been in East St. Louis he has made his headquarters at the Green Tree Hotel, on Broadway, where he has been seen in company with a woman, with whom, it is said, he made arrangements for a purchase or trade of property.

From other papers found on him, it was evident that he had, at one time, been connected, in some capacity, with the *Valley Gazette*, published at Lovilia, Monroe County, Iowa, and Chief Walsh therefore wrote and sent a letter to that point last night, giving a description of the man.

The prisoner is about thirty-five years of age, of cadaverous appearance, five feet eight inches high, dark hair and eyes, chin whiskers and clothed in a new gray suit of rather light material, and a soft black hat.

Altogether it is a strange case, with everything pointing to the prisoner as a confidence man and a swindler.

## Sensible Words by an Eminent Colored Man.

Fred Douglass says: "The best thing the white people can do for us is to stop doing for us, and leave us to do for ourselves. I have told the politicians so everywhere. They have done so much for us that they have nearly undone us. If we can't live honestly by our own labor, then we ought to die. The question with us is, will we work as hard for ourselves as we once did for our masters? If we don't we shall go to the wall, for liberty is as essentially a state of hard work as slavery is of disgraceful sloth. It is only by hard labor that we can ever catch up with the white race, and by imitating their virtues instead of their vices. Emigration is a delusion and a sham. The white race is everywhere on the face of the globe, and we could not get away from them if we would."

Mr. Hayes plainly shows that he is the bond-servant of the money kings, and that John Sherman is his keeper. —*Kansas City Times*.

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